Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The South Dakota State Adoption council is a coalition of public and private agency workers, adoptive parents, adoptees, and prospective adoptive families whose purpose is to promote the adoption of children with special needs; and,

WHEREAS, Children with special needs are those children with handicaps, older children, children in sibling groups, and Indian children who need Indian families; and,

WHEREAS, Nationally, November 20-26 is being recognized as Adoption Week -- a time to honor the family and to build healthy families through adoption; and,

WHEREAS, Countless thousands of South Dakotans have found familial love through adoption; and,

WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to recognize these special families:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 20-26, 1988, as

ADOPTION WEEK

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-Eighth Day of October, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Eight.

GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

JOYCE HAZELTINE, SECRETARY OF STATE